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6 July 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Carter

SUBJECT: Coordination Staff Report Regarding the Committee
Structure of the United States Intelligence Board
(USIB-D-27.1/18)

1. As you requested, we have undertaken to secure the positions of the various USIB agencies with respect to the subject paper, in order to assist you to resolve any conflicting agency views, insofar as possible, prior to the 11 July Board meeting.

2. Our findings are as follows:

a. The consensus of views among the member agencies favor the paper as a whole.

b. NSA, AEC, and FBI concur generally in the paper as written.

c. State concurs generally, but favors a continuation of the NIS Committee and of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Arab-Israeli Situation.

d. DIA wishes to retain the NIS Committee, at least for the time being, as a vehicle of possible assistance in connection with the counterinsurgency problem. DIA has one general observation (which was referred to at the USIB meeting of 27 June): that it is inappropriate to assign the functions of a committee to an agency, since a committee is in fact only a facility for achieving coordination. This point can be covered by a re-phrasing of paragraph 8 (p.4) as follows (together with appropriate adjustments in the lettered sub-paragraphs):

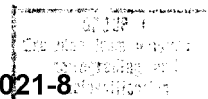
"The following USIB committees should be disestablished and the agency principally responsible for the activity should assure necessary coordination:"

3. The DIA position set forth above was given me orally by General Carroll and he also stated that one of the Services had expressed a desire to retain [] and the Exchange Committee. Although these two points may be raised at the USIB meeting, I believe that the Services will follow the DIA lead as expressed above.

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COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL COMMUNISM

Authority: USIB-M-35, 1 March 1960, Item 9

Chaired by: State

Support to: State (through USIB)

Background: Originated to assure coordination among USIB member agencies on matters dealing with international communism.

Function: Recommend appropriate action with respect to requirements and priorities relating to international communism. Review the adequacy of research efforts, and report to USIB thereon.

Comment: Has been inactive for past 1½ years. This Committee has no substantive responsibility for production of intelligence. International communism is primarily a political matter, the responsibility of State, and the tasks that were assigned the committee are those which State itself should undertake to coordinate.

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COMMITTEE ON EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

Authority: DCID No. 2/4

Chaired by: CIA

Support to: CIA

Background: Originated in 1948 to assist CIA in establishing new programs and procedures appropriate to service of common concern.

Function: To advise and assist CIA in providing for the exploitation of foreign publications as a service of common concern.



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COMMITTEE ON PROCUREMENT OF FOREIGN PUBLICATIONS

Reference: DCID No. 2/5

Chaired by: CIA

Support to: CIA

Background: Established in 1953 to assist CIA in assuming responsibility formerly lodged in State.

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COMMITTEE ON EXCHANGES

Authority: DCID No. 2/6

Chaired by: CIA

Support to: State

Background: Originated in 1956 as an Ad Hoc committee to ensure intelligence advice to State in conduct of the then new Exchange Program and establish procedures responsive thereto.

Function: To provide advice to State on the intelligence aspects related to exchanges; serve as focal point for planning exchanges of value to intelligence; serve as clearing house for information on exchanges, and coordinate intelligence exploitation of exchanges.

Comment: Actual functions largely performed by secretariat provided by CIA, including drafting of annual report and substantive work accomplished, at Secretariat's request, through Ad Hoc interdepartmental panels of experts or existing sub-committees of EIC, SIC, JAEIC, and OMAIC.

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NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE SURVEY COMMITTEE

Authority: NIS Standard Instructions

Chaired by: CIA

Support to: CIA

Background: Created by NSC approval (with USIB concurrence) of NIS Standard Instructions as procedural means of assisting CIA in coordination of the then new NIS program begun in 1943.

Function: Approves policies for NIS; allocates responsibility for production of NIS; establishes schedules, procedures and instructions for preparation and editing of NIS; recommends measures to CIA for coordination of NIS program.

Comment: This Committee was created by NSC to advise and assist CIA in carrying out its responsibilities for the NIS program. It has never been, technically, a USIB committee. Rather it has served as a formal support mechanism to CIA.

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CRITICAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Authority: DCID No. 7/1

Chaired by: CIA

Support to: USIB and USIB members

Background: Created in 1958 to establish the communications system and reporting procedures and criteria for handling critical intelligence.

Function: To assist USIB in carrying out and coordinating the duties, responsibilities and procedures prescribed for handling of critical intelligence.

Comment: The communications and reporting systems have now been established and are operating. Continued monitoring of these areas can be carried out by DOD and CIA respectively in accordance with their responsibilities under NSCID No. 7.

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EMERGENCY PLANNING STEERING COMMITTEE

Authority: USIB-M-56, 3 September 1959, Item 9.c.

Chaired by: CIA

Support to: USIB

Background: Created by USIB action in 1956. The Committee concerned itself, when active, largely with emergency relocation matters; but because responsibility for this matter rested with agencies as such, rather than intelligence components, the Committee's recommendations were never formally approved or followed.

Function: To coordinate emergency planning activities of USIB members.

Comment: This Committee is now inactive. Realistic emergency planning requires clarification as to the respective intelligence responsibilities of the USIB agencies within the continental US in time of general war, and the wartime role of the DCI.

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AD HOC COMMITTEE ON CUBAN MILITARY BUILDUP

Authority: USIB-M-123, 1 November 1960, Item 5

Chaired by: CIA

Support to: State, through USIB

Background: The working paper was originally prepared in November 1960. One updating was prepared in June 1961.

Function: To update working paper on Cuban military situation requested by State in October 1960.

Comment: This committee is presently inactive. Its work clearly falls within the substantive production responsibility of the Department of Defense.

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AD HOC COMMITTEE ON BERLIN SITUATION

Authority: USIB-M-27, 3 March 1959, Item 4; USIB-M-209,
11 April 1962, Item 5

Chaired by: CIA

Support to: USIB

Background: This Ad Hoc Committee was originally established in March 1959. In April 1962, the DCI raised the question of continuation of the Committee, in the light of the responsibilities of the Watch Committee. The USIB agreed that the Ad Hoc Committee should be "recessed," subject to further USIB direction.

Function: To monitor all significant developments bearing on intelligence aspects of the Berlin situation, making reports thereon to the USIB as required.

Comment: The functions of the Ad Hoc Committee clearly overlap those of the Watch Committee to which it should, if reactivated, be subordinated.

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AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON THE ARAB-ISRAELI SITUATION

Authority: USIB-D-1/6, 1 July 1959; USIB-M-47, 7 July 1959,
Item 5

Chaired by: CIA

Support to: USIB

Background: The Ad Hoc Working Group was originally set up in 1956 in response to a request from State for coverage of the then explosive situation in Palestine. Its continuation was affirmed by USIB in July 1959. It has periodically produced reports on the Arab-Israeli situation.

Function: To review and report periodically to USIB on developments regarding the Arab-Israeli situation.

Comment: The continuing problem of Arab-Israeli relations is dealt with in connection with USIB review of cold war crisis situations.

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